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Applicants : Yves FARYS et al.) Group Art Unit 3728
Appn. No. : 10/718,553)
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Title : ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR,)
PARTICULARLY FOR CLIMBING)

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT, WITH TRAVERSE

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Sir:

In reply to the restriction requirement of the Office action dated October 26, 2005, Applicants herewith traverse the requirement, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.143, but make the provisional election as follows.

ELECTION

Applicants provisionally elect Invention I, "Claims 1-13, drawn to an article of footwear with a flexible upper, tightening arrangement on the upper, a heel stiffener with lateral walls with a recess in each lateral wall and a strap affixed to the recess, classified in class 36, subclass 69."



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Transmitted herewith is a **Reply to Restriction Requirement, with Traverse** in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

A Request for Extension of Time.

An Information Disclosure Statement, form PTO-1449, and references cited.

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